

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES

A Tele-Conference Meeting of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses was held on Thursday, March 20, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 310 of the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon Georgia.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jane Harte, LPN, **President**
Barbara Mitchell, RN, **Vice President**
Vicky Mack, RN, Education Member
LeAnn Tuggle, Consumer Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mary Lynn Owensby, LPN
Jacqueline Dumas
Judy Hilliard

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General
Serena Gadson, Application Specialist II
Marcia Stevens, Nursing Consultant

President Harte established that a quorum was present and called the Board tele-conference meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda: Ms. Mack moved, Ms. Tuggle seconded, and the Board approved the Agenda.

Ms. Tuggle moved and Ms. Mack seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1), (2) and (4); §43-1-19(h)(2), (3) and (4) and O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h); 50-14-2(1) to deliberate on, and receive information on Applications, a Petition for Variance or Waiver request and the Attorney general's office report. Voting in favor of the motion were Ms. Mitchell, Ms. Harte, Ms. Penn and Ms. Tuggle. The Board concluded executive session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Approved Practical Nursing Education Programs and Status changes:

The Board discussed the creation of a sub-committee of the Board consisting of the Board's Executive Director, The Education Representative and one additional Board member to meet to discuss the Board's Practical Nursing Education Programs status categories and procedures, specifically with regard to programs that do not meet the minimum required passage rate for first time takers of the NCLEX-PN exam.

Ms. Mack moved, Ms. Tuggle seconded and the Board voted to create a sub-committee of the Board to review Board rules and policies with regard to Practical Nursing Education Programs.

Consent Order:

D.D.K. – The Board discussed the docketed public consent order with stipulations and conditions to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

Ms. Tuggle moved and Ms. Mack seconded and the Board voted to allow licensee to stay in current position, with confirmation from employer that dispensing narcotics is restricted, along with notification to Board if any change in current employment.

Applications:

Public Petition for Variance or Waiver:

Tracy Chavous – The Board discussed the public petition, posted for the required minimum of fifteen (15) days, filed by Ms. Chavous with regard to the Temporary Permit she was issued to pursue a refresher program for reinstatement of her Georgia LPN license and the pending expiration date. Following discussion, the Board made the following decision:

Ms. Mack moved, Ms. Tuggle seconded and the Board voted to grant the Petition and extend the expiration date by three (3) months of the applicants Temporary Permit.

President Harte inquired as to any unfinished business, determining none; the conference call meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Minutes Recorded/Reviewed By:

Terralyn Gordon, Board Secretary

Jane Harte, President (Date) _____

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director (Date) _____

These minutes were signed and approved on _____.